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ADDENDUM TO THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF  
THE PACIFIC, HELD IN THE ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY ON  
NOVEMBER 28, 1914, AT 2:00 P. M., TO CONSIDER  
THE AWARD OF THE BRUCE GOLD MEDAL  
FOR THE YEAR 1915.

There were present President CRAWFORD and Directors AITKEN, CUSHING, COSTA and RICHARDSON. The proxies of Directors BURCKHALTER, TOWNLEY and MARKWART were held by Director RICHARDSON. Letters of nomination, in accordance with the statutes for the bestowal of the Bruce Medal, were read from the directors of the observatories of Harvard, Yerkes, Lick, Paris, Berlin, and Greenwich.

After full discussion, the Board by unanimous vote, awarded the medal for 1915 to

DR. W. W. CAMPBELL,  
Director of Lick Observatory.

Owing to war conditions in Europe, making it impossible, at the present time to secure the medal from the French Mint in time for presentation at the annual meeting of the Society in January, it was decided to defer the actual presentation until some appropriate date later in the year, notice of which will be duly communicated to members.

Adjourned.

D. S. RICHARDSON,  
*Secretary.*

The following correspondence was exchanged between the Secretary and Dr. CAMPBELL:—

December 2, 1914.

DR. W. W. CAMPBELL,  
Director of Lick Observatory,  
Mount Hamilton, California.

*My dear Sir:* It gives me particular pleasure to inform you that, at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific, held on the 28th ultimo in this city, to consider the award of the Bruce Gold Medal for the year 1915, it was decided by unanimous vote that the honor belonged to you, and I was instructed to ask your acceptance of same.

In performing this pleasant duty, I venture to express the conviction that the members of the Astronomical Society will find more satisfaction in this award than in any previously made—and all have been worthily bestowed.

In recognizing your eminent services to astronomy—based as they are upon the consent of your scientific brethren in all parts of the world—it is our particular good fortune to be able, at the same time, to recognize a fellow member of our Society, a distinguished citizen of our State and a man whom we are permitted to call our friend.

Asking that you will kindly indicate your acceptance of the medal, and with sincerest personal regards, I beg to remain,

Very respectfully yours,  
D. S. RICHARDSON,  
*Secretary.*

MOUNT HAMILTON, December 14, 1914.

*Dear Mr. Richardson:*

Your letter of December 2nd reached Mount Hamilton about three hours after I had started to Chicago, and it finds me at home this morning.

It gives me extreme pleasure to accept the award of the Bruce Gold Medal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. I feel that the award of the Bruce Medal is the greatest honor which an astronomer can receive, and it is especially gratifying that our Astronomical Society of the Pacific is the organization concerned. The high value which astronomers in general assign to the Bruce Gold Medal award is due in part to the unique method of nominating the recipient, and also to the care which the Directors of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific have always exercised in acting upon the recommendations.

When the first opportunity presents itself, will you kindly inform the Board of Directors of the Society that I accept the award with a high sense of the honor they have conferred upon me?

Yours cordially,

W. W. CAMPBELL.

Mr. D. S. RICHARDSON, Secretary,  
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# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY OF THE PACIFIC, HELD IN THE ROOMS OF THE SOCIETY ON JANUARY 30, 1915, AT 7:15 P. M.

There were present: President R. T. CRAWFORD and Directors R. G. AITKEN, B. A. BAIRD, S. D. TOWNLEY, C. S. CUSHING, CHARLES BURCKHALTER, J. COSTA and D. S. RICHARDSON.

A verbal report was made by Director CUSHING, of the Finance Committee, relative to the three first mortgage five per cent bonds, issued by the Contra Costa Water Company and owned by this Society. On motion of Director AITKEN, seconded by Director BURCKHALTER, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

*Resolved*, That all questions relating to the three first mortgage five per cent bonds issued by Contra Costa Water Company owned by this Society be, and the same are hereby referred to the Finance Committee, with power to act in all matters pertaining to the same, including the reorganization of the company, or companies, owning the property covered by the lien of said bonds.

After further discussion, and in view of the fact that the necessity might arise of withdrawing the three bonds above mentioned from the custody of the Mercantile Trust Company, where they are at present on